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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Office Action dated February 6, 2006.

Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to specify an inkjet printer comprising cradle and the the printer cartridge as previously defined. Basis for this amendment can be found on page 5, lines 9-11; page 12, lines 6-8 & lines 19-23; and page 23, lines 3-8.

It is submitted that no new matter has been added to the present application by virtue of these amendments.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102(b)

It is submitted that claim 1, as amended, is not anticipated by the disclosure of Silverbrook. Silverbrook fails to disclose an inkjet printer comprising a cradle and a complementary printer cartridge, with the cartridge being replaceably receivable in the cradle. In Silverbrook, the print assembly is permanently mounted on a support structure, and the printhead modules are replaceably mounted on an ink distribution arrangement, which forms part of the print assembly (see [0054] of Silverbrook).

The present invention provides the advantage that the printhead and ink are housed together in the same replaceable unit. Moreover, the printhead may be upgraded without having to upgrade the entire printer (see page 12, lines 19-23 of the present application). An upgraded printhead (which, for example, prints at higher speeds) may require higher quality ink to ensure acceptable print quality, and the present invention ensures that the ink and printhead are inextricably housed together so that printhead/ink mismatches cannot occur.

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It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections have been successfully traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is courteously solicited.

Very respectfully,

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